

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus ~~which performs a data process via a local area network (LAN) and a communication line other than the LAN,~~ comprising:

~~reception means for receiving~~ a reception unit adapted to receive data designated to a plurality of receivers, from a transmission side ~~via the communication line;~~

~~notification means for notifying~~ a notification unit adapted to notify the plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN that said reception means~~ unit received the data;

~~transmission means for transmitting~~ a transmission unit adapted to transmit information representing a notification result by said notification ~~means~~ unit, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception ~~means~~ unit was transmitted ~~via the communication line; and~~

~~selection means for selecting~~ a selection unit adapted to select one of a first mode and a second mode~~[,]; and~~ and

a determining unit adapted to determine whether a predetermined time has been reached or not,

wherein said transmission ~~means~~ unit, in the first mode, transmits one by one the information representing the notification results ~~for the plurality of receivers on the LAN by said notification means by plural time communications~~ corresponding to each of receivers by said

notification unit regardless of a determination by said determining unit, and in the second mode, transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for the plurality of receivers on the LAN by said notification means by one time communication by said notification unit at the time when said determining unit determines that the predetermined time has been reached.

19. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 18, wherein, in a case where the first mode is selected by said selection ~~means~~ unit, said transmission ~~means~~ unit transmits the information representing the notification result for one receiver at one communication.

20. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 18, wherein said notification ~~means~~ unit notifies the receivers which are designated by the transmission side that said reception ~~means~~ unit received the data.

21. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 18, wherein a case where the notification by said notification ~~means~~ unit was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

22. (Currently Amended) A data processing apparatus ~~which performs a data process via a local area network (LAN) and a communication line other than the LAN,~~
comprising:

~~reception means for receiving~~ a reception unit adapted to receive data designated to a ~~plurality of receivers~~ receiver, from a transmission side ~~via the communication line~~;

~~notification means for notifying the plurality of receivers on the LAN a~~
notification unit adapted to notify the receiver that said reception means unit received the data;

~~transmission means for transmitting~~ a transmission unit adapted to transmit information representing a notification result by said notification ~~means~~ unit, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception means unit was transmitted ~~via the communication line~~;

~~selecting means for selecting whether the transmission by said transmission means is to be performed on the basis of a call generation from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception means was transmitted or on the basis of a call generation from a data processing apparatus side; and~~

~~setting means for setting a mode in the case where the information representing the notification result by said notification means is transmitted by said transmission means a~~
setting unit adapted to set whether the transmission of the information representing the notification result by said transmission means unit ~~on the basis of the call generation from~~ based on an instruction by said data processing apparatus side is to be permitted or not,

~~wherein, in a case where said setting means sets that the transmission of the information representing the notification result on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus is to be permitted, said selection means selects that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus side, and in a case where said setting means sets that the transmission of the information representing the notification result on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus is not to~~

~~be permitted, said selection means selects that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from said transmission side~~

wherein a setting result by said setting unit is notified to the transmission side,

and

wherein said transmission unit does not transmit the information representing the notification result until said reception unit receives a request from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception unit was transmitted in a case where said setting unit sets the transmission is not to be permitted, and transmits the information representing the notification result even without the request from the transmission side in a case where said setting unit sets the transmission is to be permitted.

23. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said setting ~~means~~ unit sets one of a first mode and a second mode, ~~in the case where it is selected by said selection means that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from the data processing apparatus side,~~ and said transmission ~~means~~ unit performs the transmission in accordance with the mode set by said setting ~~means~~ unit.

24. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 23, wherein in the first mode, said transmission ~~means~~ unit transmits one by one the information representing the notification results for ~~the a plurality of receivers on the LAN~~ by said notification ~~means~~ unit by plural-time communications, and in the second mode said transmission ~~means~~ unit transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for ~~the a plurality of receivers on the LAN~~ by said notification ~~means~~ unit by one-time communication.

25. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein, ~~in the case where it is selected by said selection means that the transmission is to be performed based on the call generation from the data processing apparatus side,~~ said transmission means unit generates a call on the basis of destination information included in the data received by said reception means unit.

26. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said notification means unit notifies the receivers receiver which ~~are~~ is designated by the transmission side that said reception means unit received the data.

27. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein a case where the notification by said notification means unit was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

28. (Currently Amended) A control method of a data processing apparatus ~~which performs a data process via local area network (LAN) and a communication line other than the LAN,~~ said method comprising:

a reception step of receiving data designated to a plurality of receivers, from a transmission side ~~via the communication line;~~

a notification step of notifying the plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN~~ that the data is received in said reception step;

a transmission step of transmitting information representing a notification result in said notification step, to the transmission side from which the data received in said reception step was transmitted ~~via the communication line~~; and

a selection step of selecting one of a first mode and a second mode[,]; and

a determining step of determining whether a predetermined time has been reached or not,

wherein said transmission step, in the first mode, transmits one by one the information representing the notification results ~~for the plurality of receivers on the LAN in said notification step by plural time communications~~ corresponding to each of receivers by said notification step regardless of a determination by said determining step, and in the second mode, transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for the plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN in said notification step by one time communication~~ by said notification step at the time when said determining step determines that the predetermined time has been reached.

29. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 28, wherein, in a case where the first mode is selected in said selection step, said transmission step transmits the information representing the notification result for one receiver at one communication.

30. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 28, wherein said notification step notifies the receivers which are designated by the transmission side that the data was received in said reception step.

31. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 28, wherein in a case where the notification in said notification step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

32. (Currently Amended) A control method of data processing apparatus ~~which performs a data process via a local area network (LAN) and a communication line other than the LAN~~, said method comprising:

a reception step of receiving data designated to a ~~plurality of receivers~~ receiver, from a transmission side ~~via the communication line~~;

a notification step of notifying the ~~plurality of receivers on the LAN~~ receiver that the data is received in said reception step;

a transmission step of transmitting information representing a notification result in said notification step, to the transmission side from which the data received in said reception step was transmitted ~~via the communication line~~;

~~a selection step of selecting whether the transmission in said transmission step is to be performed on the basis of a call generation from the transmission side from which the data received in said reception step was transmitted or on the basis of a call generation from a data processing apparatus side; and~~

~~a setting step of setting a mode in the case where the information representing the notification result in said notification means is transmitted in said transmission step~~ a setting step of setting whether the transmission of the information representing the notification result by said transmission step ~~on the basis of the call generation from~~ based on an instruction by said data processing apparatus side is to be permitted or not,

~~wherein, in a case where said setting step sets that the transmission of the information representing the notification result on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus is to be permitted, said selection step selects that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus side, and in a case where said setting step sets that the transmission of the information representing the notification result on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus is not to be permitted, said selection step selects that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from said transmission side~~

wherein a setting result by said setting step is notified to the transmission side,
and

wherein said transmission step does not transmit the information representing the notification result until said reception step receives a request from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception step was transmitted in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is not to be permitted, and transmits the information representing the notification result even without the request from the transmission side in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is to be permitted.

33. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 32, wherein said setting step sets one of a first mode and a second mode, ~~in the case where it is selected in said selection step that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from the data processing apparatus side, and~~ said transmission step performs the transmission in accordance with the mode set in said setting step.

34. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 33, wherein in the first mode said transmission step transmits one by one the information representing the notification results for ~~the~~ a plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN~~ in said notification step by plural-time communications, and in the second mode said transmission step transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for ~~the~~ a plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN~~ in said notification step by one-time communication.

35. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 32, wherein, ~~in the case where it is selected in said selection step that the transmission is to be performed based on the call generation from the data processing apparatus side,~~ said transmission step generates a call on the basis of destination information included in the data received in said reception step.

36. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 32, wherein said notification step notifies the ~~receivers~~ receiver which ~~are~~ is designated by the transmission side that the data was received in said reception step.

37. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 32, wherein ~~in a case~~ where the notification in said ~~notification~~ notification step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

38. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program to be used by a data processing apparatus ~~which performs a data process via a local area network (LAN) and a~~

~~communication line other than the LAN, the program when executed by the data processing apparatus performing processes~~ comprising:

a reception means for step of receiving data designated to a plurality of receivers, from a transmission side ~~via the communication line;~~

a notification means for step of notifying the plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN~~ that said reception ~~means~~ step received the data;

a transmission means for step of transmitting information representing a notification result by said notification ~~means~~ step, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception ~~means~~ step was transmitted ~~via the communication line;~~ and

a selection means for step of selecting one of a first mode and a second mode[,];
and

a determining step of determining whether a predetermined time has been reached or not,

wherein said transmission ~~means~~ step, in the first mode, transmits one by one the information representing the notification results ~~for the plurality of receivers on the LAN by said notification means by plural time communication~~ corresponding to each of receivers by said notification step regardless of a determination by said determining step, and in the second mode, transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for the ~~plurality of receivers on the LAN by said notification means by one time communication~~ by said notification step at the time when said determining step determines that the predetermined time has been reached.

39. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 38, wherein, in a case where the first mode is selected by said selection ~~means~~ step, said transmission ~~means~~ step transmits the information representing the notification result for one receiver at one communication.

40. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 38, wherein said notification ~~means~~ step notifies the receivers which are designated by the transmission side that said reception ~~means~~ step received the data.

41. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 38, wherein a case where the notification by said notification ~~means~~ step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

42. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program to be used by a data processing apparatus ~~which performs a data process via a local area network (LAN) and a communication line other than the LAN, the program when executed by the data processing apparatus performing processes~~ comprising:

a reception means for step of receiving data designated to a plurality of receivers receiver, from a transmission side ~~via the communication line~~;

a notification means for step of notifying the plurality of receivers receiver on the ~~LAN~~ that said reception ~~means~~ step received the data;

~~a transmission means for~~ step of transmitting information representing a notification result by said notification ~~means~~ step, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception ~~means~~ step was transmitted ~~via the communication line~~;

~~selection means for selecting whether the transmission by said transmission means is to be performed on the basis of a call generation from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception means was transmitted or on the basis of a call generation from a data processing apparatus side; and~~

~~setting means for setting a mode in the case where the information representing the notification result by said notification means is transmitted by said transmission means~~ a setting step of setting whether the transmission of the information representing the notification result by said transmission ~~means~~ step ~~on the basis of the call generation from~~ based on an instruction by said data processing apparatus side is to be permitted or not,

~~wherein, in a case where said setting means sets that the transmission of the information representing the notification result on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus is to be permitted, said selection means selects that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus side, and in a case where said setting means sets that the transmission of the information representing the notification result on the basis of the call generation from said data processing apparatus is not to be permitted, said selection means selects that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from said transmission side~~

wherein a setting result by said setting step is notified to the transmission side,
and

wherein said transmission step does not transmit the information representing the notification result until said reception step receives a request from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception step was transmitted in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is not to be permitted, and transmits the information representing the notification result even without the request from the transmission side in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is to be permitted.

43. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 42, wherein said setting ~~means~~ step sets one of a first mode and a second mode, ~~in the case where it is selected by said selection means that the transmission is to be performed on the basis of the call generation from the data processing apparatus side, and~~ said transmission ~~means~~ step performs the transmission in accordance with the mode set by said setting ~~means~~ step.

44. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 43, wherein in the first mode said transmission ~~means~~ step transmits one by one the information representing the notification results for ~~the~~ a plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN~~ by said notification ~~means~~ step by plural-time communications, and in the second mode said transmission ~~means~~ step transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for ~~the~~ a plurality of receivers ~~on the LAN~~ by said notification ~~means~~ step by one-time communication.

45. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 42, ~~in the case where it is selected by said selection means that the transmission is to be~~

~~performed based on the call generation from the data processing apparatus side, wherein~~ said transmission ~~means~~ step generates a call on the basis of destination information included in the data received by said reception ~~means~~ step.

46. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 42, wherein said notification ~~means~~ step notifies the ~~receivers~~ receiver which ~~are~~ is designated by the transmission side that said reception ~~means~~ step received the data.

47. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program according to claim 42, wherein a case where the notification by said notification ~~means~~ step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

48-54. (Canceled)